

TENNESSEE ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE COMMISSION MINUTES THURSDAY, JUNE 24 1:00 p.m.

The June 2021 meeting was held on June 24, 2021 at 1:00 p.m. in Nashville, TN. Chairman Skiles, Commissioner Tomita and Commissioner Roberts were present. In attendance on behalf of TABC staff were the following: Director Thomas, Assistant Director Tabatha Blackwell, Commission Counsel Stepp, Commission Counsel Mercurio, Commission Counsel Connor and Deputy Chief Brent Clayton.

Pursuant to T.C.A. §8-44-108, meetings may be conducted permitting participation of electronic or other means of communication.

1. REVIEW/APPROVAL OF THE MAY 25 COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

<u>Discussion/Action Taken</u>: Commissioner Roberts moved to approve the minutes and the motion was seconded. The motion passed with three ayes.

2. RETAIL MATTERS

1. HARTMANN LIQUOR LEBANON, TENNESSEE (WILSON COUNTY)

Applicant:

Hartmann Liquor, LLC

Member(s):

Mahendrakumar Patel (25%), Nirav Patel (22.5%),

Vikram Singh (52.5%)

Current licensee:

Shivaram2010 Inc d/b/a Super Cheap Cigarette ¹

Proposed licensee:

Hartmann Liquor, LLC d/b/a Hartmann Liquor

Before the Commission is a request for approval of a retail package store licensee to be located at 333 E High St, Lebanon, TN 37087. The applicant is acquiring the package store from the existing licensee owned by Shivaram2010 Inc². The TABC staff recommends conditional approval of the license subject to:

¹ License no. RTLRPS-WLS-1821508





- a. certificate of occupancy
- b. deed after closing
- c. inspection
- d. license fee

Discussion/Action Taken: Director Thomas summarized the request and recommended conditional approval subject to the certificate of occupancy, deed after closing, inspection and payment of the license fee. Commissioner Tomita moved approval subject to the certificate of occupancy, deed after closing, inspection and payment of the license fee and the motion was seconded. The motion passed with three ayes.

2. MAJOR DISCOUNT LIQUORS NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE (DAVIDSON COUNTY)

Applicant:

NASHVILLE PACKAGE STORE, INC.

Shareholders: Current

<u>Proposed</u>

Amir Abaskhron (33.3%)

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Jouseph Iskandar (33.3%)

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Tina Sam (33.3%)

Retail package store licensee no. RTLRPS-DAV-1930125 located at 2913B Dickerson Rd, Nashville, TN 37207 is requesting approval of change in ownership. No new shareholders, as the store is going from three to two shareholders. The TABC staff recommends approval of the change in ownership.

<u>Discussion/Action Taken</u>: Director Thomas summarized the request and recommended approval of the change in ownership. Commissioner Roberts moved approval and the motion was seconded. The motion passed with three ayes.



3. BIGFOOT LIQUORS MANCHESTER, TENNESSEE (COFFEE COUNTY)

Applicant:

Jay Shree Radhe LLC

Current location:

1656 Hillsboro Blvd, Manchester, TN 37355

New location:

2010 Hillsboro Blvd, Manchester, TN 37355

Current d/b/a name:

Manchester Liquors

Proposed d/b/a name:

BIGFOOT LIQUORS

Retail package store licensee no. RTLRPS-COF-2103602 located at 1656 Hillsboro Blvd, Manchester, TN 37355 is requesting a change in location and d/b/a name change. The TABC staff recommends conditional approval of the change of location subject to inspection.

<u>Discussion/Action Taken</u>: Director Thomas summarized the request and recommended approval of the change of location subject to inspection. Commissioner Tomita moved approval subject to inspection and the motion was seconded. The motion passed with three ayes.



4. GREAT WINES & SPIRITS OF MEMPHIS MEMPHIS, TENNESSEE (SHELBY COUNTY)

Applicant: Telematrix Inc

Current location: 6150 Poplar Ave, Suite 124, Memphis, TN 38119

New location: 6161 Poplar Ave, Memphis, TN 38119

Shareholders: <u>Current</u> <u>Proposed</u>

Dimpleben Patel (45%) Dimpleben Patel (45%)

Jimi Patel (45%) Jimi Patel (55%)

Suresh Patel (10%)

Retail package store licensee no. RTLRPS-SHE-1814480 located at 6150 Poplar Ave, Suite 124, Memphis, TN 38119 is requesting a change in location and change in ownership. The TABC staff recommends conditional approval of the change of location subject to inspection, as well as approval of ownership change.

<u>Discussion/Action Taken</u>: Director Thomas summarized the request and recommended approval of the change of location subject to inspection, as well as approval of the change in ownership. Commissioner Roberts moved approval subject to inspection for the change of location along with the ownership change and the motion was seconded. The motion passed with three ayes.



5. LIQUOR LOCKER FAYETTEVILLE, TENNESSEE (LINCOLN COUNTY)

Applicant:

Nikunj 2, Inc

Member(s):

Nikunjkumar Patel (100%)

Current licensee:

Aanshi 12 Aarna 23, LLC d/b/a Liquor Locker³

Proposed licensee:

Nikunj 2, Inc d/b/a Liquor Locker

Before the Commission is a request for approval of a retail package store licensee to be located at 1604 Huntsville Hwy, Fayetteville, TN 37334. The applicant is acquiring the package store from the existing licensee owned by Aanshi 12 Aarna 23, LLC⁴. The TABC staff recommends conditional approval of the license subject to:

- a. deed after closing
- b. license fee

Discussion/Action Taken: Director Thomas summarized the request and recommended conditional approval subject to the deed after closing and payment of the license fee. Commissioner Tomita moved approval subject to the deed after closing and payment of the license fee and the motion was seconded. The motion passed with three ayes.

³ License no. RTLRPS-LIN-1904358



6. BLUEGRASS BEVERAGES WINE, SPIRITS AND BEER HENDERSONVILLE, TENNESSEE (SUMNER COUNTY)

Applicant:

BLUEGRASS BEVERAGES, INC

Shareholders:

Current

Proposed

William R. Sinks (100%)

Timothy Sinks (100%)

Retail package store licensee no. RTLRPS-DAV-1901454 located at 555 E Main St, Hendersonville, TN 37075 is requesting approval of change in ownership. Current shareholder selling all his interest to a new shareholder. The TABC staff recommends approval of the change in ownership subject to the executed agreement.

Discussion/Action Taken: Director Thomas summarized the request and recommended approval of the change in ownership subject to the executed agreement. Commissioner Roberts moved approval subject to the executed agreement and the motion was seconded. The motion passed with three ayes.

7. STILL LIQUORS MEMPHIS, TENNESSEE (SHELBY COUNTY)

Applicant:

LRW ENTERPRISES LLC

Shareholders:

Current

Proposed

Larry Walker (100%)

Allen Walker (100%)

Retail package store licensee no. RTLRPS-SHE-1903861 located at 4595 Millbranch Rd, Memphis, TN 38116 is requesting approval of change in ownership. Current shareholder selling all his interest to a new shareholder. The TABC staff recommends approval of the change in ownership.



<u>Discussion/Action Taken</u>: Director Thomas summarized the request and recommended approval of the change in ownership. Commissioner Tomita moved approval and the motion was seconded. The motion passed with three ayes.

8. HOT SHOT LIQUOR MADISON, TENNESSEE (DAVIDSON COUNTY)

Applicants:

Maged Faragalla and Maged Hanna

Member(s):

Maged Faragalla (50%), Maged Hanna (50%)

Current licensee:

IDEAL LIQUOR STORE, INC. d/b/a Ideal Liquor Store 5

Proposed licensee:

Maged Faragalla and Maged Hanna d/b/a Hot Shot Liquor

Before the Commission is a request for an extension for a previously approved retail package store licensee to be located at 111B Gallatin Pike, Madison, TN 37115. Originally approved at the February 2021 Commission Meeting, the applicant has been trying to obtain the certificate of occupancy, which is expected to be issued soon. The TABC staff recommends a 90-day extension of the conditional approval.

<u>Discussion/Action Taken</u>: Director Thomas summarized the request and recommended a 90-day extension of the conditional approval. Commissioner Roberts moved approval and the motion was seconded. The motion passed with three ayes.

⁵ License no. RTLRPS-DAV-1814471



3. SATELLITE FACILITY MATTERS

1. VILLA NOVE VINEYARDS BUTLER, TENNESSEE (JOHNSON COUNTY)

Applicant:

Watauga Lake Winery LLC

Before the Commission is a request for approval of a satellite facility to be located at 1877 Dry Hill Rd, Butler, TN 37640. The TABC staff recommends conditional approval of the satellite facility subject to:

- a. certificate of occupancy
- b. inspection
- c. license fee

<u>Discussion/Action Taken</u>: Director Thomas summarized the request and recommended conditional approval subject to the certificate of occupancy, inspection and payment of the license fee. Commissioner Tomita moved approval subject to the certificate of occupancy, inspection and payment of the license fee and the motion was seconded. The motion passed with three ayes.



4. WINERY DIRECT SHIPPER MATTERS

1. RAY'S STATION HOPLAND, CALIFORNIA

Applicant:

Grove Acquisition LLC, owned by Vintage Wine Estates,

a publicly traded company

Before the Commission is a request for approval of a direct shipper located at 13300 Buckman Dr, Hopland, CA 95449. The TABC staff recommends conditional approval of the direct shipper subject to payment of the license fee.

<u>Discussion/Action Taken</u>: Director Thomas summarized the request and recommended conditional approval subject to payment of the license fee. Commissioner Roberts moved approval subject to payment of the license fee and the motion was seconded. The motion passed with three ayes.

2. TINTO AMORIO SONOMA, CALIFORNIA

Applicant:

Unico Inc

Members:

Anish Patel (70%), Himanshu Patel (20%),

Danish Malik (10%)

Before the Commission is a request for approval of a direct shipper located at 21945 Cameros Lake Ln, Suite 1, Sonoma, CA 95476. The TABC staff recommends conditional approval of the direct shipper subject to payment of the license fee.



<u>Discussion/Action Taken</u>: Director Thomas summarized the request and recommended conditional approval subject to payment of the license fee. Commissioner Tomita moved approval subject to payment of the license fee and the motion was seconded. The motion passed with three ayes.

3. LONG MEADOW RANCH WINERY SAINT HELENA, CALIFORNIA

Applicant:

LMR Wine Estates LLC

Members:

Christopher Hall (100%)

Before the Commission is a request for approval of a direct shipper located at 1775 Whitehall Ln, Saint Helena, CA 94574. The TABC staff recommends conditional approval of the direct shipper subject to:

a. common carrier contract

b. license fee

<u>Discussion/Action Taken</u>: Director Thomas summarized the request and recommended conditional approval subject to the common carrier contract and payment of the license fee. Commissioner Roberts moved approval subject to the common carrier contract and payment of the license fee and the motion was seconded. The motion passed with three ayes.

4. B NEKTAR FERNDALE, MICHIGAN

Applicant:

B Nektar, LLC

Members:

Brad Dahlhofer (50%), Kerri Dahlhofer (50%)

Before the Commission is a request for approval of a direct shipper located at 1511 Jarvis, Ferndale, MI 48220. <u>The TABC staff recommends conditional approval of the direct shipper subject to payment of the license fee.</u>



<u>Discussion/Action Taken</u>: Director Thomas summarized the request and recommended conditional approval subject to payment of the license fee. Commissioner Tomita moved approval subject to payment of the license fee and the motion was seconded. The motion passed with three ayes.

5. ANNADEL ESTATE WINERY SANTA ROSA, CALIFORNIA

Applicant:

Annadel Estate Winery & Flowers, LLC

Members:

Daniel Whalen (50%), Katherine Honey (50%)

Before the Commission is a request for approval of a direct shipper located at 6687 Sonoma Hwy, Santa Rosa, CA 95409. The TABC staff recommends conditional approval of the direct shipper subject to payment of the license fee.

<u>Discussion/Action Taken</u>: Director Thomas summarized the request and recommended conditional approval subject to payment of the license fee. Commissioner Roberts moved approval subject to payment of the license fee and the motion was seconded. The motion passed with three ayes.



6. CATHEDRAL RIDGE WINERY HOOD RIVER, OREGON

Applicant:

Columbia River Winery

Members:

Rob Bell (49.77%), Dana Boote (9.82%),

Thomas Mason (6.84%), and 18 members with less than

5% interest

Before the Commission is a request for approval of a direct shipper located at 4200 Post Canyon Dr, Hood River, OR 97031. The TABC staff recommends conditional approval of the direct shipper subject to payment of the license fee.

Discussion/Action Taken: Director Thomas summarized the request and recommended conditional approval subject to payment of the license fee. Commissioner Tomita moved approval subject to payment of the license fee and the motion was seconded. The motion passed with three ayes.



7. AU SOMMET SAINT HELENA, CALIFORNIA

Applicant:

AU SOMMET, LLC

Members:

Heidi Peterson (47.5%), John Schwartz (47.5%),

Ron Avishai (5%)

Before the Commission is a request for approval of a direct shipper located at 2920 Spring Mountain Rd, Saint Helena, CA 94574. <u>The TABC staff recommends conditional approval of the direct shipper subject to:</u>

a. common carrier contract

b. gallonage tax certificate

c. license fee

Discussion/Action Taken: Director Thomas summarized the request and recommended conditional approval subject to the common carrier contract, gallonage tax certificate and payment of the license fee. Commissioner Roberts moved approval subject to common carrier contract, gallonage tax certificate and payment of the license fee and the motion was seconded. The motion passed with three ayes.



8. IMPENSATA SAINT HELENA, CALIFORNIA

Applicant:

1260 Summit Lake LLC

Trustee:

Michael Laipple

Before the Commission is a request for approval of a direct shipper located at 588 Zinfandel Ln, Saint Helena, CA 94574. The TABC staff recommends conditional approval of the direct shipper subject to:

a. fulfillment contract

b. license fee

<u>Discussion/Action Taken</u>: Director Thomas summarized the request and recommended conditional approval subject to the fulfillment contract and payment of the license fee. Commissioner Tomita moved approval subject to the fulfillment contract and payment of the license fee and the motion was seconded. The motion passed with three ayes.

9. 3100 CELLARS GARDEN CITY, IDAHO

Applicant:

3100 Cellars, LLC

Members:

Hailey Minder (50%), Marshall Minder (50%)

Before the Commission is a request for approval of a direct shipper located at 240 E 32nd St, Garden City, ID 83714. <u>The TABC staff recommends conditional approval of the direct shipper subject to:</u>

- a. sales and use tax certificate
- b. common carrier contract
- c. license fee



<u>Discussion/Action Taken</u>: Director Thomas summarized the request and recommended conditional approval subject to the sales and use tax certificate, common carrier contract and payment of the license fee. Commissioner Roberts moved approval subject to the sales and use tax certificate, common carrier contract and payment of the license fee and the motion was seconded. The motion passed with three ayes.

5. MANUFACTURER MATTERS

1. FAR BETTER DISTILLERY NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE (DAVIDSON COUNTY)

Applicant:

Far Better, LLC

Members:

Thomas Fritz (80%), Rebecca Fritz (20%)

Before the Commission is a request for approval of a manufacturer to be located at 330 Harrison St, Nashville, TN 37219. The TABC staff recommends conditional approval of the manufacturer subject to payment of the license fee.

<u>Discussion/Action Taken</u>: Director Thomas summarized the request and recommended conditional approval subject to payment of the license fee. Commissioner Tomita moved approval subject to payment of the license fee and the motion was seconded. The motion passed with three ayes.



6. MISCELLANEOUS

- Director's Update
 - **Discussion/Action Taken:** Director Thomas updated the Commission on a couple of items. The TABC staff is returning to the office after the July 4th weekend. The TABC is hiring several agents within the next month at all the agency's districts. Director Thomas also mentioned that the moratorium for retail package stores ends on July 1st. And finally Director Thomas mentioned a few tax-related numbers from revenue and collection pre-pandemic and since then.
- Law Enforcement Update
 <u>Discussion/Action Taken</u>: Deputy Chief Clayton updated the Commission on enforcement activity since the last meeting including statistics on the number of inspections conducted, citations issued, fine amounts, minor compliance checks and compliance rate, seizures, and personnel news.
- 7. **NEXT MEETING** Thursday, July 22 @ 1:00PM CST

APPROVED FOR ENTRY UPON THE MINUTE BOOKS OF THE TENNESSEE ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE COMMISSION THIS THE 22nd DAY OF JULY 2021.

Commissioner

Director